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Minutes of the 132nd Meeting, 10:00 A.M., 26 March 1945

PRESENT

Col. Bicknell, Chairman
Capt. Macomb, ONI
Major Battles, A-2
Capt. McCaskill, OCE

[REDACTED] OSS

SECRETARIAT

Captain Sobo

ALSO PRESENT

Major Rasche
Lt. Van Rees
Dr. Meigs (for
Cdr. Clinton)

[REDACTED]

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The minutes of the 131st meeting were read by the Chairman and approved as read.

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1. GENERAL

OSS contributor has advised the JISPB that Chapter X, JANIS 75, will be delivered at noon today by Dr. Appleton.

The Chairman stated that Op-16-P-3 has agreed to JISPB recommendations that FE-ONI prepare supplements to Chapter VI, JANIS 84 and 85 and compile Chapter VI, JANIS 74.

The Chairman informed the conferees that he will visit the printers and engravers in Ohio to establish a schedule for printing JANIS and supplements and to consult with War Manpower officials on present personnel quotas allotted to JANIS printers and engravers. The Chairman recommended that [REDACTED] act 25X1A9a for the Board in relations with JTS in view of [REDACTED] knowledge of JWPC, JLPC and JTS procedures.

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Major Battles reported that: (1) supplements on the JANIS 80 series will be ready soon. However, some late photography is not included in this material. (2) his contribution for JANIS 150 is now ready in rough draft but does not include the latest photo coverage. (3) photo coverage on JANIS 153 area has been dispatched by the overseas command and should be received soon. (4) that the dissemination of photo intelligence is very slow because of the lack of a central policy and priority control and shortage of competent personnel. After a lengthy discussion, it was concluded that: (1) all available material should be submitted to JISPB by the deadline date and, if necessary and time permits, changes can be incorporated while the basic material is in JISPB. (2) that supplements to the JANIS 80 series should be submitted in parts as completed. (3) that Major Battles and Captain McCaskill endeavor to make arrangements and establish priorities with the ~~JOINT TARGET GROUP~~ whereby JISPB contributors can receive the latest photo coverage at the earliest practicable date, with particular emphasis on the photo-coverage needs of AMS.

Photographic Division

Captain Macomb reported on his visits to the Navy Aerology Section, OSS Far Eastern Division, A-2 Air Movements Branch, MIS Topographic Branch, and the Beach Erosion Board. The various supervisors and researchers were very courteous and gave him an enthusiastic welcome. Contributors expressed their willingness to cooperate and invited visits from other members of the Board. Captain Macomb also visited the Department of Agriculture library for JANIS 74 source material.

The value of JANIS as reported by some users was discussed. It was brought out that maps and text are being extracted from JANIS by overseas commands and reproduced in whole, abstract or rewritten form to serve definite purposes. Incidents were cited whereby JANIS maps were posted in a carrier's ready room and where separate extracts were made for amphibious and land operations.

25X1A9a [redacted] reported that the JLPC regarded JANIS highly and suggested three items on which they would like more data: (1) availability of construction materials (gravel, sand, timber, etc.) (2) basic data on which some conclusions on development of additional port facilities could be based. (3) clearance inland from beaches, particularly terrain.

No definite action was taken on reducing the number of copies of maps, overlays, etc., prepared by contributors.

2. EDITORIAL

Dr. Meigs, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, reported on the editorial progress. On JANIS 75, Chapters IX and XIII have been submitted to printer; Chapters V, VII and VIII will be submitted today; OSS Chapter X has not yet been received -- promised for delivery at noon today; part of Chapter II can go out to printer Thursday, the 29th; Chapters I, IV, VI, X and XV not yet ready to go.

3. PRODUCTION

Lt. Van Rees reported that ten (10) chapters of JANIS 77 were scheduled for delivery on 28-29 March, but in view of the inability of Registered Publications Section to handle JANIS at this time, the date for shipment was advanced to 2 April 1945. A memorandum regarding distribution of JANIS has been submitted to JTS for consideration at their meeting today.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



P. P. SOBO,
Captain, A.G.D.,
Deputy Secretary.